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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the October Cattle on Feed Survey.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Vince Matthews
Director

Idaho Cattle on Feed Up Five Percent from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on October 1, 2009 totaled 205,000 head. The cattle on feed inventory was up 5 percent from previous month and October 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in feedlots in Idaho with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during September totaled 53,000 head, down 4,000 head from September 2008 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during September totaled 42,000 head, up 1,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 during September 2009.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on October 1, 2009. The inventory was 1 percent above October 1, 2008. The inventory included 6.42 million steers and steer calves, down 1 percent from the

previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.01 million head, up 4 percent from 2008. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.39 million, 5 percent above 2008. Net placements were 2.34 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 490,000, 600-699 pounds were 450,000, 700-799 pounds were 593,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 855,000. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.75 million, 4 percent below 2008. This is the third lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of September since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 47,000 during September, 8 percent below 2008.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	October 1, 2008	September 1, 2009	October 1, 2009		
			Number	As % of 2008	As % of Sept.
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	360	275	275	76	100
California	505	455	465	92	102
Colorado	870	860	960	110	112
Idaho	195	195	205	105	105
Iowa	475	510	520	109	102
Kansas	2,160	2,050	2,220	103	108
Nebraska	2,110	2,020	2,170	103	107
Oklahoma	315	325	355	113	109
South Dakota	175	185	195	111	105
Texas	2,590	*2,530	2,600	100	103
Washington	157	140	147	94	105
Other States	330	*334	362	(X)	108
United States	10,415	*9,879	10,474	101	106

¹ Revised. ¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. (X) Comparison to 2008 is not applicable.

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